

Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board  
4334 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Suite C-150, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES: October 19, 2021**

*(Approved November 16, 2021)*

The meeting of the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board (Board) was noticed and called to order by Board Chair, Courtney Wright, at 9:07 a.m. on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 4334 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Suite C-150, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Present were Board Members: Courtney Wright, Angela Murray, Renee Cole, Alfred Tuminello, Joseph Tuminello, III, Calvin Cryer, Daniela Riofrio and Executive Director Rhonda Boe.

A motion was made by Ms. Wright to approve the agenda for the October 19 2021 meeting.

Board members welcomed new member Daniela Riofrio.

Pursuant to LSA R.S. 42:6.1(4), Ms. Wright moved to enter Executive Session at 9:09 a.m. for Personnel discussion, credential file reviews and other matters.

Ms. Wright closed Executive Session at 11:43 a.m.

Ms. Wright began the Open Meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Mr. Cryer made a motion to approve the minutes from the August meeting. None opposed and the motion passed.

Ms. Murray made a motion to approve the minutes from the August meeting. None opposed and the motion passed.

The following was reported regarding the credential file reviews:

Licensure Applicants 10.21/A, 10.21/B, 10.21/C, 10.21/D, 10.21/E, 10.21/F, 10.21/G and 10.21/H were reviewed and approved for licensure.

Licensure Applicant 9.21/D was reviewed. Applicant will be invited to a Zoom conference during executive session of the November meeting.

The status of other applicants reviewed are contained in the attached report.

Complaints Committee:

Ms. Boe presented a signed Consent Agreement to the board for review. After reviewing and discussing, Ms. Wright requested a call to question vote which resulted as follows: Dr. Tuminello – yay, Mr. Tuminello – yay, Ms. Murray – yay, Mr. Cryer – yay, Ms. Cole – yay, Ms. Riofrio – yay and Ms. Wright – yay. The Consent Agreement was approved.

Ms. Boe presented the following report on behalf of Complaints Coordinator, Ellen Brocato:

Two Consent Agreements have been accepted by respondents and will be available for review next month. One additional Consent Agreement is being considered.

An informal meeting is scheduled this week with respondent and counsel.

Three new complaints have been received and 5 are still in investigative phase.

Finance Committee:

Mr. Tuminello made a motion to approve the LSBEP invoice for October if no apparent discrepancies noted. None opposed and the motion passed. The SAUP audit results were reviewed and discussed.

Ms. Boe advised the board she would contact a temporary service to hire an Administrative Assistant, previously approved.

Ms. Boe advised she had not received the August or September financials from the CPA. These will be ready for review at next month's meeting.

Jurisprudence Committee:

Progress is still being made on moving the Jurisprudence Exam online. The board discussed dividing the exam into sections.

Legislative Oversight Committee:

The Emergency Rule has been approved and posted. The renewal fee for LBAs and SCaBAs will be reduced to half this year due to COVID and Hurricane IDA hardships.

Policies and Procedures Committee:

No new business.

Continuing Education Committee:

No new business.

Supervision Oversight Committee:

No new business.

Long Range Planning:

The board will work on these items throughout the year.

Sarah Broome from DOE arrived at the meeting at 1:00 p.m. to discuss with the board a project to better support Medicaid services in schools. Discussion included what codes are necessary for providers of behavior analysis, the misconception that not only children on the spectrum require services, the difference between licensed, certified and registered and their scopes and duties.

Ms. Broome left the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

Discussion Items:

Ms. Boe reminded members of the training needed annually and will send reminders and the links to all board members. Ms. Boe will attempt to schedule the photographer for board photos at the next meeting.

Mr. Cryer will now assume the role of Chair and Ms. Murray will be Vice-Chair. New committee assignments were agreed on and will be posted on next month's agenda.

Mr. Boudloche, recent outgoing board member, will be invited to next month's meeting to be honored during lunch.

Ms. Wright adjourned the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

## CREENTIAL FILE REVIEWS

10.21/1 Ms. Riofrio moved to approve upon receipt of requested documentation if matches exactly. None opposed.

10.21/2 Ms. Wright made a motion to approve. None opposed.

10.21/3 Dr. Tuminello made a motion to request additional documents. None opposed.

10.21/4 Mr. Tuminello made a motion to approve. None opposed. Ms. Cole abstained.

10.21/5 Ms. Murray made a motion to approve. None opposed. Mr. Tuminello abstained.

10.21/6 Mr. Cryer made a motion to approve. None opposed.

10.21/7 Ms. Cole made a motion to allow to continue working uninterrupted while providing monthly updates. None opposed.

10.21/8 Ms. Cole reviewed an applicant that was revoked for falsifying application who asked for review. Ms. Cole motioned the revocation stand. None opposed.

The following applicants are to provide monthly updates which were reviewed.

8.19/8 Ms. Riofrio made a motion to continue uninterrupted and asked that receipts be provided with future monthly updates. None opposed.

12/17/D Ms. Wright made a motion to continue uninterrupted and provide monthly updates. None opposed.

2/20/6 Dr. Tuminello made a motion to again request monthly update not provided and if no update received for November to revoke. None opposed.

4.21/12 Mr. Tuminello stated case was complete and recommended discontinuation of monthly updates. None opposed.

6.21/8 Ms. Murray made a motion to continue uninterrupted and continue to provide monthly updates. None opposed. Mr. Cryer abstained.

7.17/10 Mr. Cryer made a motion to request monthly update not provided and if no update received for November to revoke. None opposed.

7.21/10 Mr. Cryer noted last updated provided court date for November and to remind individual monthly updates are required even if nothing new to report and made a motion to continue uninterrupted and continue to provide monthly updates. None opposed.

9.27/7 Mr. Cryer made a motion to again request monthly update not provided and if no update received for November to revoke. None opposed.

9.21/10 Ms. Cole made a motion to continue uninterrupted and provide monthly updates. None opposed.

4.21/2 Ms. Cole made a motion to request monthly update not provided and if no update received for November to revoke. None opposed.

5.21/19 Ms. Cole stated case was complete and recommended discontinuation of monthly updates. None opposed.

6.21/10 Dr. Tuminello stated case was complete and recommended discontinuation of monthly updates. None opposed.

7.21/9 Ms. Wright noted this applicant was never approved and no communication had been received. She motioned that Ms. Boe reach out and ask candidate if still interested in pursuing registration. None opposed.